

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Applicant : Patel, et al.  
App. No : 10/007,003  
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For : SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR  
PROVIDING A DISTRIBUTED FILE  
SYSTEM UTILIZING METADATA  
TO TRACK INFORMATION ABOUT  
DATA STORED THROUGHOUT THE  
SYSTEM  
Examiner : Te Y. Chen  
Art Unit : 2161

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application is a PTO/SB/08 Equivalent listing 42 references to be considered by the Examiner. Also enclosed are 4 foreign patent references and/or non-patent literature as listed on the Information Disclosure Statement.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g) and (h), Applicants make no representation that the information is considered to be material to patentability. Additionally, inclusion on this list is not an admission that any of the cited documents are prior art in this application. Further, Applicants make no representation regarding the completeness of this list, or that better art does not exist.

Applicants further note that other pending applications and issued patents owned by Applicants may recite subject matter relevant to the claims of the present application. Applicants request the Examiner to consider the following Office Actions and associated responses by Applicants in each of the following cases when determining the patentability of the pending claims of the present application. While Applicants do not believe it necessary to individually list every Patent Office communication, along with Applicants' associated response, Applicants are doing so as a courtesy and request that the Examiner continue to monitor these applications.

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Applicants note that cited references, office actions, responses and/or notices of allowance currently exist or will exist for the above-referenced matters. Applicants also understand that the

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Examiner has access to sophisticated online Patent Office computing systems that provide ready access to, for example, specification and drawing publications, pending claims, and complete file histories, including, for example, cited art, Office Actions, responses, and Notices of Allowance. Thus, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review these file histories. However, if the Examiner cannot readily access these file histories, Applicants would be pleased to provide any portion of any of the file histories at any time upon request.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a final action and before the mailing of a Notice of Allowance. This Statement is accompanied by the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,  
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